



# Journeys December 21

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*Newsletter for Dover/Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization*



Have you got an idea for a project or study?



It is again that time of year when the Dover/Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization (D/KC MPO) solicits ideas for transportation planning projects/studies from our MPO partners. The D/KC MPO is beginning the process of preparing our FY23 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). As part of that process, we encourage municipalities, partners, interested parties, and the public to submit planning project ideas and study requests for consideration. The MPO will evaluate and prioritize all submitted planning project/study requests, with attention toward supporting the goals and objectives articulated in our long-rang plan, Innovation 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). We will also evaluate for consideration projects that are not specifically mentioned in our MTP. The deadline will be approaching soon! If you have an idea, contact us today!

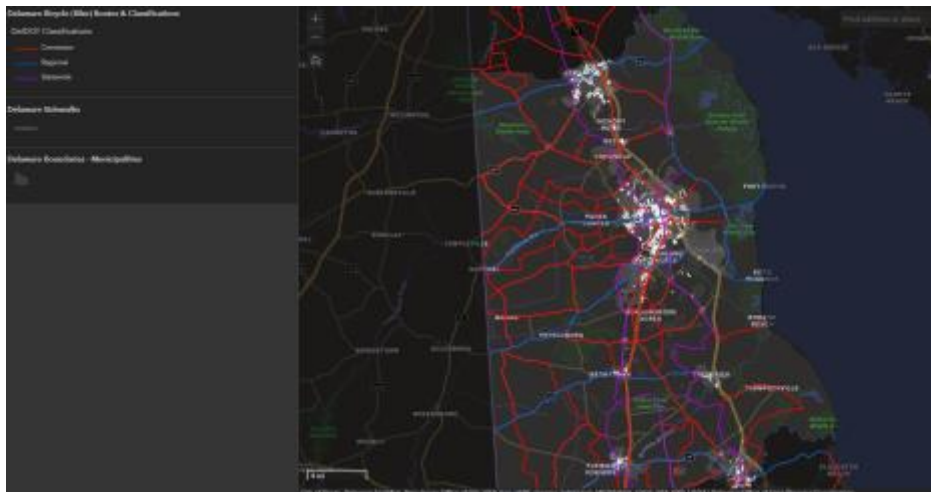
Should you have any questions regarding potential planning projects, please contact Jim Galvin, AICP, at [James.Galvin@doverkentmpo.org](mailto:James.Galvin@doverkentmpo.org), or 302.387.6030. Please email your planning/study recommendations to Michelle Vinson at [Michelle.Vinson@doverkentmpo.org](mailto:Michelle.Vinson@doverkentmpo.org), or fax to 302.387.6032.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact our office. Thank you for your assistance and participation in this important part of transportation planning in Kent County.



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## Mike's Map of the Month!



1 - This month, we feature a map of bike routes and classifications of sidewalks, along with their locations.

## HAZARD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE THROUGH FEMA



# FEMA

FEMA has a competitive grant program that may be of interest to transit agencies, the Building Resilient Infrastructure Communities (BRIC). There is \$1 billion of BRIC funding available nationwide to support

states, local communities, tribes and territories as they undertake hazard mitigation projects, reducing the risks they face from disasters and natural hazards.

While FTA does not have program specifics, we wanted to share this time sensitive information and to encourage you to contact your State Hazard Mitigation Office (SHMO) if you are interested in applying. The FY 2021 Hazard Mitigation Assistance NOFO, which includes the BRIC program, opened on Sept. 30, 2021, and all states must submit applications to FEMA by 3 p.m. on Jan. 28, 2022. *You must contact your SHMO to learn the deadline for your state, which will be earlier than the January 28 deadline for submitting to FEMA.*

Here is a link to the NOFO with application requirements:

<https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities>

You can find a list of SHMOs for each state at: [state, tribe or territory \(applicant level\) Hazard Mitigation Office](#)

All questions about this FEMA grant program should be directed to FEMA and the relevant SHMO.

## Scam Alert from DeIDOT and DMV



The Delaware Department of Transportation and Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles is advising the public of the following scam alert.

DeIDOT has received inquiries about the validity of a text message requiring recipients to “verify your COVID-19 vaccination status” with a link to click. **This is NOT a communication from the Division of Motor Vehicles and should be ignored and deleted.**

The Delaware Department of Motor Vehicles does not send vaccination status verification notices via text message, nor is your personal information (such as driver license number, Social Security number,

or payment information) requested in this manner. If you receive one, please report it to your local law enforcement.

## Journeys Live is Back!!



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2 - We return with an interview with Delaware Commute Solutions!

## See our latest DMV ad!



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Happy Holidays from all of us at the MPO!!



## Upcoming Meetings





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